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Amend the first sentence of the Abstract to read:

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The [invention] <u>disclosure</u> relates to an interactive, web based cardiovascular healthcare management system which [as] <u>has</u> an infomediary site with databases having information relating to cardiovascular disease risk factors such as age, blood pressure, LDL, HDL and subfractions thereof and cardiovascular disease management such as diet, exercise, drugs and cardiovascular education materials.

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